

PUBLIC DEFENDER

POLICY DESCRIPTION FORM

Department/Group: Public Defender/L&J Budget Code: AAA PBD
 Title: Mentally Disordered Offender (MDO) Program

PRIORITY: Rank 1 of 1 FUNDING: Full Year ☒ Other ☐ _____ Months

ITEM STATUS: Restoration ☐ Program Change ☒ Workload ☐

OPERATIONAL AND/OR FISCAL IMPACT: Clearly explain the impact on services (attach additional pages if required)

Increase in Mentally Disordered Offender (MDO) Program resulted in the transfer of three (3) Deputy Public Defenders from the Central Office into the MDO Unit to provide coverage. The Public Defender presented a staffing request item to the board of Supervisors for consideration and no new staffing was approved for the Public Defender. However, the District Attorney requested additional attorney staffing which was approved. In order to continue to provide representation for the MDO cases, the Public Defender must seek replacement staff for the three Deputy Public Defenders transferred from the Central Office, or declare unavailability conflicts. The potential impact for three attorneys in regular criminal departments is approximately \$480,000.

	2003-04	Ongoing 2004-05
APPROPRIATIONS		
Salaries & Benefits (attach additional page if required)	\$ 402,855	\$ 414,912

CLASSIFICATIONS		
Budgeted Staff	Title	Amount
3.0	Deputy Public Defender IV	402,855

Services & Supplies

Other (specify) _____

Equipment

FIXED ASSETS	
Item	Amount

Reimbursements (specify) _____

Total: \$ 402,855 \$ 414,912

REVENUE (specify source)

Total: \$ \$

LOCAL COST \$ 402,855 \$ 414,912